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Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application entitled:

ABSORBENT ARTICLE COMPRISING AN ABSORBENT STRUCTURE

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- Applicant(s) suggests Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information:
SCA HYGIENE PRODUCTS AB, Goteborg, Sweden

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DRAWINGS: 4 sheets of formal drawings _____ sheets of informal drawings

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An Information Disclosure Statement.

An Application Data Sheet (ADS).

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Basic Application Fee (1001)					\$ 770.00
Total Claims	23	MINUS 20 =	3	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 54.00
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =	0	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					
Total Application Fee					\$ 824.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					\$ 0.00
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TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					\$ 824.00

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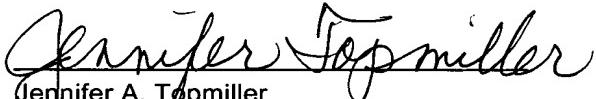
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